

**SECRETARY OF STATE[721]**

**Notice of Intended Action**

**Proposing rule making related to constitutional amendment  
and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The Secretary of State hereby proposes to amend Chapter 21, “Election Forms and Instructions,” Iowa Administrative Code.

*Legal Authority for Rule Making*

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 49.44.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, 2021 Iowa Acts, chapter 185.

*Purpose and Summary*

The purpose of the proposed subrule is to provide voters and other interested persons with the opportunity to review the summary to be printed on the ballot for the proposed constitutional amendment that is to be voted upon at the November 8, 2022, General Election. Because the only purpose for this Notice is to solicit public comments, following the comment period the Notice will be terminated without adopting the subrule.

*Fiscal Impact*

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

*Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

*Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Secretary of State for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 721—Chapter 10.

*Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written or oral comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Secretary of State no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 21, 2022. Comments should be directed to:

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Lucas State Office Building, First Floor  
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Des Moines, Iowa 50319  
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### *Public Hearing*

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b,” an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making action is proposed:

Adopt the following **new** subrule 21.200(4):

**21.200(4)** A proposed constitutional amendment was passed by the Eighty-eighth General Assembly as Senate Joint Resolution 18, and by the Eighty-ninth General Assembly as Senate Joint Resolution 7. This proposed amendment will be voted upon at the general election to be held on November 8, 2022.

The summary that is proposed by the Secretary of State appears below:

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Summary: Provides that the right of the people of Iowa to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. The sovereign state of Iowa affirms and recognizes the right to keep and bear arms as a fundamental right. Any and all restrictions of this right shall be subject to strict scrutiny.